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A Most Strange Chapter.

[From the La Crosse Democrat.]

A correspondent writes us from Waterloo,

Iowa, asking if we know of one Edgar Burn-

ham, and of his history:

We do. And as it is a strange, true one,

known to hundreds, we give it in the Demo-

crat as it is, that we may correct some errors

those who speak of him have fallen into.

Eight years since, when we were engaged as

city editor of a Milwaukee paper, there lived

in this State an editor named Powell, now

connected with a Chicago paper, we think.

He is, unless he has quit it lately.

In 1862, Powell was married to a Miss Ellen

Burnham, of Broadhead, Wisconsin, after a

courtship of some months. Miss Burnham's

parents were old residents of Broadhead, and

of high respectability. The daughter taught

music, had a large number of pupils, and was

very attractive. Powell lived with her as a

husband two years, she being all that time a

good wife in all respects, presenting him with

but one child.

At the expiration of two years, when about

twenty-one years of age, Mrs. Powell's voice

changed, she grew light whiskers, and gradu-

ally changed her sex, developing into a man, in

all respects, as if nature, anxious for a freak,

had turned a portion of herself wrong side out.

The husband and wife separated when the

wife became a man, and Mrs. Ellen Powell

took the name of Edgar Burnham, donned

male attire, sought and obtained employment

as a clerk in Chicago, and lived a young man

for one year.

During this time he fell in love with a niece

of Senator Morgan, of New York, but did not

marry her, for reasons not pertinent to this

article. But about the end of the year he did

marry a lady of Broadhead, Wisconsin, a Miss

Gerta Everett, who was a music pupil of his

when he was Miss Ellen Burnham, over

three years previous to the marriage. This

second marriage was about two years ago.

Soon after this marriage "Edgar" Burnham

and wife removed to Waterloo, Iowa, where

they now reside, or did not long since.

The former girl is now a man, the former

man is now a husband, the former mother

is now a father, the former young lady teacher

is now that young lady's husband! Truth is,

indeed, stranger than fiction, and the above

statement of facts border so upon the mar-

velous, we could not believe it did we not per-

sonally know all the parties.

Any one can be convinced, by writing to the

parties in either of the places we have named,

of the full and entire truth of this most won-

derful transformation, which puzzles not only

the medical but the entire scientific world, and

which appears now for the first time in print,

though the particulars have long been known

to us and to many other newspaper men and

prominent citizens of this State, as to nearly

all the citizens of Broadhead, where the parties

so long resided. (2) (11)

A DECIDED OPINION.—Tom Ewing, Jr., who

is evidently "the son of his father," writes to

a Kansas paper that he is for Grant, but not if

Grant is in favor of the present reconstruction

measures. Of these measures he expresses

opinions that have at least the merit of being

decided and unequivocal:

"I regard them as mischievous, begot of re-

venge, misdirected philanthropy, and just of

power. I would as soon expect a house to

stand on the crater of a living volcano, as a

State, where whites and blacks being nearly

equal in number, the whites are proscribed and

blacks made rulers. Such a government can-

not long have the heartfelt sympathy of any

large body of men anywhere. Blood is thicker

than water, and Northern whites will sym-

pathize with Southern whites in their struggle

to shake off the incubus of negro rule. If there

was no prejudice of race to affect their action,

the Northern people would still refuse to re-

produce, in ten States of the Union, Hayti or

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the United States, and proceeds promptly re-

mitted. Int. Rev. Stamps for sale. [no 28-17

NEW BOOKS THIS DAY AT

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BOOK AND STATIONERY STORE.

No. 95, King street.

Duke's great Book, History of Morgan's Cav-

alry, by Basil W. Duke. The most thrilling

book since the war—a book which is bound to

create a sensation; 1 vol., oct., cloth, \$3.

Vanity Fair, by Thackeray, new edition, il-

lustrated profusely from designs by the author.

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Appleton's cheap edition of Dickens, cheaper

than before the war: Oliver Twist, 25c; Pick-

wick, 35c; Christmas Stories, 25c; Nicholas

Nickleby, 35c—clear type and good paper.

Another large lot No. Thoroughfare—Dick-

ens' new Christmas Story.

Muhlbach's celebrated Novels, in paper covers,

and bound—another large lot to-day—unpre-

cedented sale.

Boxing, Her Life and Mine, by J. P. Hol-

land, author of "Bitter Sweet," a fresh sup-

ply, \$1.50.

The Brother's Bet, or Within Six Weeks, by

E. F. Carlin, 25c.

The Waterdale Neighbors, by the author of

Paul Massie, 50c.

New Books daily at FRENCH'S.

jan 10-17

FISHING OUTFIT FOR SALE.

By virtue of a deed of trust from John Wil-

liams to the undersigned, record in the

Clerk's Office of Stafford county, I shall offer at

public sale, at the Marlborough Fishery, in

said county, on TUESDAY, the 10th day of

December, 1867, one large Seine Boat, Sca-

wood, one large Seine, Rope, Corks, Capstans,

Three Horses, Oiled Furniture, &c., compris-

ing the entire Fishing outfit of said Wil-

liams. JOHN H. SUTTLE, Trustee.

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POSTPONEMENT.—The above sale is pos-

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HOUGH & RAMSAY.

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We are now in receipt of our new stock of

CHOICE FAMILY GROCERIES,

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Brandy Peaches, Sardines, halves & quarters.

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Cor's Sparkling Gelatine.

Choice Flavoring Extracts.

Maizena, Farina, Corn Starch.

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We have also on hand and are constantly re-

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George & Jenkin's Family Lard, Cigars,

Tobacco, &c.

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